MINUTES OF THE RHODE ISLAND
REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

DATE: October 8, 2008

TIME: 3:20 P.M.

LOCATION: Department of Business Regulation

John O. Pastore Center

1511 Pontiac Ave. Bldg. 69-1

Cranston, RI 02920-0942

Members Present:

Brenda Marchwicki, David Iannuccilli, Janet Bausch, Mike Kehew, Tom Foley, Laura Marasco of the Attorney General's Office, Deputy Assistant Legal Counsel Michael Jolin for the Department of Business Regulation, Leslie Pratt, Real Estate Licensing Aide and William J. DeLuca, Acting Real Estate Administrator for the Department of Business Regulation

Guests: Monica Staaf, Esq. RI Association of Realtors

Norma Mousseau, Director of Professional Development, RIAR

Michelle Caprio, CEO Greater Providence Board of Realtors

Chairman David lannuccilli called the meeting to order at 3:20 PM.

Chairman asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Janet Bausch made the motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Brenda Marchwicki seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Chairman started discussion on the Report from the Task Force to review R.I. Gen. Law § 5-20.5-1, et seq. Chairman questioned the need for a separate Task Force or include the issue in the general discussion of the Board. Discussion continued by the Board members. Discussion was held on a R.I. Association of Realtors Government Affairs Committee letter outlining Broker requirements. Michael Jolin also discussed eliminating the exception for lawyers.

Brenda Marchwicki made a motion to increase the experience needed to become a Broker from one (1) year of experience as a Salesperson to five (5) years and to have been involved in seventy-five (75) transactions on either the listing or buyer side. Also the forty-five (45) hours of the pre-licensing course shall not be included in the ninety (90) hours required for broker education. Seconded by Janet Bausch.

Monica Staaf requested discussion on the motion as it concerns residential rental and commercial salespersons. The Board on the issues raised by Monica Staaf held general discussion.

Brenda Marchwicki made an amended motion to reduce the

transaction requirement from seventy-five (75) transactions to thirty (30) transactions over a five (5) year period. Seconded by Janet Bausch. All in favor.

Chairman started discussion on revision of Commercial Licensing Regulation 11 – Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons. Michael Jolin discussed continuing on with the review of Regulation 11 or to stop and go on to review the statutes in R.I. Gen. Law 5-20.5. After general discussion by the Board, Michael Jolin advised that he would provide an updated copy of the reviews already completed by the Board to the members before next month's meeting.

Chairman started discussion of the upcoming Commission member terms and vacancies. After discussion the Chairman suggested to the Board members that they forward the name of anyone they think would be qualified and interested in serving on the Board to him and he would forward that name to William DeLuca at the Department of Business Regulation.

Chairman asked if there were any public comments. Michelle Caprio introduced herself to the Board members as the CEO of the Greater Providence Board of Realtors.

Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Michael Kehew. Brenda Marchwicki seconded the motion. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. DeLuca
Acting Real Estate Administrator